

# **Exhibit A**



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**com·prise** *transitive verb* \kəm-ˈprīz\

: to be made up of (something) : to include or consist of (something)  
: to make up or form (something)

**com·prised | com·pris·ing**

**Full Definition of COMPRIZE**

**1** : to include especially within a particular scope <civilization as Lenin used the term would then certainly have *comprised* the changes that are now associated in our minds with "developed" rather than "developing" states — *Times Literary Supplement*>

**2** : to be made up of <a vast installation, *comprising* fifty buildings — Jane Jacobs>

**3** : **COMPOSE, CONSTITUTE** <a misconception as to what *comprises* a literary generation — William Styron> <about 8 percent of our military forces are *comprised* of women — Jimmy Carter>

**Usage Discussion of COMPRIZE**

Although it has been in use since the late 18th century, sense 3 is still attacked as wrong. Why it has been singled out is not clear, but until comparatively recent times it was found chiefly in scientific or technical writing rather than belles lettres. Our current evidence shows a slight shift in usage: sense 3 is somewhat more frequent in recent literary use than the earlier senses. You should be aware, however, that if you use sense 3 you may be subject to criticism for doing so, and you may want to choose a safer synonym such as *compose* or *make up*.

**Examples of COMPRIZE**

Each army division *comprised* 4,500 troops.  
The play *comprises* three acts.

**Origin of COMPRIZE**

Middle English, from Anglo-French *compris*, past participle of *comprendre*, from Latin *comprehendere*

First Known Use: 15th century

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